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1. Troop trains observed at the Rathenow-Nord (N 53/2 15) railroad station between 9 and 16 May 1952 included:

On 9 May. The unloading of a train with 48 unnumbered new trucks which were driven to the Kraftfahrer Kaserne and to the Pionier Kaserne.

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On 12 May. The loading of a train of 1 coach with uniformed women, 8 cars with troops, 2 boxcars with materiel, and 45 cars with trucks carrying billeting equipment, 5 caterpillar tractors and 5 x 152-mm field howitzers.

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On 16 May. The loading of a train of 7 boxcars with troops, 8 boxcars with ammunition, and 42 cars with 15 new trucks, 6 tank trucks,

and 3 caterpillar tractors of the At 10 a.m., about 15 new trucks, including 2 trucks occupied by uniformed women, left the Kraftfahrer Kaserne. *

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2. The following troop trains came from the direction of Neustrelitz, and were going to Bergen on Rugen Island, were observed on 9 and 10 May:

At 8 p.m. on 9 May. A train of an unknown number of boxcars with troops and flatcars carrying AT guns and trucks at the Stralsund railroad station. The troops wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia.

At 8 p.m. on 10 May. A train of an unknown number of boxcars with troops and flatcars carrying eight AT guns and trucks proceeding toward Stralsund.

At 10 p.m. on 10 May. A train of an unknown number of boxcars with troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, and flatcars with AT guns and trucks passing through the Alten-Troptow railroad station toward Stralsund. **

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3. Between 3 and 6 p.m. on 13 May, 1 boxcar with 1 NCO and 15 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with motor transport insignia, and 10 flatcars, each carrying one newly painted truck, were observed at the Wildpark railroad station near Potsdam (N 53/2 63).

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Another boxcar and 13 flatcars stood near the ramp ready to be loaded. the trucks were old ones which were to be reshipped to the U.S.S.R.

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* Comment. about 30 x 152-mm howitzers of the 10th How Arty Brig from the Kraftfahrer Kaserne were loaded and probably dispatched to Altengrabow

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** Comment. The three troop trains mentioned in paragraph 2 probably belong to the movement of the 14th AT Arty Brig from Jueterbox to Bergen on Ruegen Island

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